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RESPONSE UNDER 37 C.F.R. 1.116 (AMENDMENT "E")

Sir:

This amendment is filed in response to the Office Action dated March 6, 2006. The three month period for responding to the Office Action expired on June 6, 2006. Please extend the time for a response by one month to July 6, 2006. This amendment is being filed with a Request for Continued Examination (RCE). Enclosed is a check in the amount of \$910.00 for the extension of time fee (\$120.00) and RCE fee (\$790.00).

Please amend the above-identified application in the following manner.

Amendments to the Specification begin on page 2 of this paper, and includes both a clean copy and a marked-up copy of a substitute specification, a Computer Program Listing Appendix on CD ROM, and a clean copy of the replacement abstract.

Amendments to the Drawings begin on page 3 of this paper and include replacement sheets.

Amendments to the Claims begin on page 4 of this paper and include replacement sheets.

Remarks/Arguments begin on page 12 of this paper.

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